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Man Charged With Murder of Rapper Nipsey Hussle

A man was charged today with fatally shooting rap artist Nipsey Hussle and wounding two others in South Los Angeles over the weekend, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Eric Ronald Holder Jr. (dob 11/21/89) was charged in case BA476704 with one count of murder, two counts of attempted murder and one count of possession of a firearm by a felon. The criminal complaint also includes allegations that he personally used a firearm and caused great bodily injury and death.

He is scheduled to be arraigned today in Department 40 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Deputy District Attorney John McKinney of the Major Crimes Division is prosecuting the case.

Holder is accused of fatally shooting Ermias Asghedom, also known as Nipsey Hussle, on March 31 outside the rapper's clothing store in South Los Angeles. Two other men also were wounded in the attack.

Holder fled the scene and was arrested Tuesday in Bellflower.

If convicted as charged, Holder faces a possible maximum sentence of life in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

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